MINUTES

Of The
One Hundred Sixty-second
Annual Session

OF THE

ORIGINAL BEAR CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

LIBERTY HILL CHURCH

Stanly County, North Carolina

September 16, 17, 18

1994

OFFICERS

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Brother Reece Eury ..... Clerk
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Proceedings

Of The 162nd Annual Session Of The Original Bear Creek Primitive Baptist Association

Friday, September 16, 1994

This session of the association was hosted by Liberty Hill Primitive Baptist Church. The association met at the Agri-Civic Center in Albemarle, North Carolina at 10:30 a.m. and joined in songs of praise after which Elder E. W. Hooven, Jr. led in prayer and Elder Rom Kerley, pastor of Liberty Hill Church, delivered the introductory sermon using Deuteronomy 32:1-4 as a text. At Elder Kerley's request Elder Larry Austin concluded the morning service with II Tim. 4:2 as his text.

After a break for refreshments and fellowship, the association opened with prayer by Elder F. W. Stack and convened for business. Elder Rom Kerley served as Moderator; Brother Reece Eury served as clerk and Brother Ken Austin was called to serve as assistant clerk.

1. Extended invitation to all orderly Primitive Baptists who are in good standing with their home churches to seats with us.

2. Called for letters of representation from sister churches. The association voted to dispense with the reading of the letters and the clerk was instructed to record all pertinent information in the minutes.

LIBERTY HILL: Represented by entire membership.

PLEASANT GROVE: Brethren John Cameron, Parks Mullis, R. W. Knight and Bill Simpson.

UNION GROVE: Brethren Barry Helms, Carroll Taylor, Wade Taylor and Ray Purser.

MOUNTAIN CREEK: Brethren Sherrill Vanhoy, Leroy Plowman, Mac Miller and Tim Goodman.

LAWYER'S SPRING: Brethren Tommy Horne, Orlin Stewart, Walter Hasty and Truby High.

CROOKED CREEK: Brethren Steve Hinson, John Hinson, Tommy Hinson and W. T. Broadway.

HIGH POINT: Brethren Don Bowman, Lindsay Allen, Clyde Locklear and Joe Myers.

MEADOW CREEK: Elder Paul Stroupe, Brethren Tim Herrin, Marshall Gaskey and Howard Collins.

PLEASANT HILL: Brethren Grayson Auman, Allen Copple, Barry Cole and Reid Hunt.

HIGH HILL: Brethren Edward Pressley, Randall Helms, Howard Edwards and Marion Byrum.

PARK VIEW: Brethren Steve Nichols, Phil Rash, Mike Lester and Steve Bullard.

BETHEL: Brethren Doug McLamb, Charles Gore, Leroy Mintz and Scott McLamb.

CORINTH: Brethren Jim Briscoe, Jennings Hough, Ken Putman and Tom Robinson.

MILLS CHAPEL: Brethren Johnny Efird, Wayne Efird, Warren Griffin and Joe Allman.

NEW HOPE: Brethren C. R. Smith, Edsel Thomas, Frankie DuBose and Sister Frances Thomas.

3. Called for petitionary letters. None were presented.

4. The moderator was authorized to appoint committees on preaching and finance and appointed the following:

PREACHING COMMITTEE: Elder Joe Helms, Elder Roy Speir, Brethren Dennis Pressley, Clayton Griffin, Joe Robinson, Jimmy Helms and Buren Medlin.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Elder Newell Helms, Elder E. W. Hooven, Jr., Elder Paul Stroupe, Brethren Parks Mullis, Warren Griffin, Lane Vanhoy and Steve Nichols.

5. Called for presbytery reports:

In compliance with a request for ordained help the following met at Pleasant Grove Primitive Baptist Church on October 8, 1993 to ordain Brethren Jimmy Helms and R. W. Knight to the office of deacon:

ELDERS: Joe C. Helms, Rom Kerley, W. M. Benton, W.C. Mintz, Larry Austin, Paul Stroupe, Rommie Williams and Newell Helms.

DEACONS: Parks Mullis, Clayton Griffin, Mason H. Anderson, Buford Hinson, W. T. Broadway, Jerry Honeycutt, Johnny Edwards, Edward Pressley, Gradon Helms, Orlin Stewart, Truby High, Wilson Greene, Reece Eury, Vernon Medlin, Buren Medlin, Kim Honeycutt, Howard Collins, Joe Robinson, Gene Herrin,

Randy Williams, Warren Griffin, Reed Shue, Lane Vanhoy, Tommy Vanhoy, Leroy Plowman, Carl Haiger, Barry Helms, John Bowlin and Ken Austin.

At the request Of Park View Primitive Baptist Church the following Elders and deacons met on December 3, 1993 to ordain Brethren Phil Rash and Brannon Hooven to the office of deacon:

ELDERS: E. W. Hooven, Jr., Larry Austin, Joe C. Helms, Paul Stroupe, Rom Kerley, Dwayne Hooven, Rommie Williams, Richard Kirby, Eugene Bennett, Milton Gunter, J. A. Langham, John Draper and James M. Land, Jr.

DEACONS: Richard McGee, John Brooks, Steve Nichols, W. T. Broadway, Jerry Honeycutt, Howard Edwards, Edward Pressley, D. G. Dix, Ted Myers, Edward Willard, Orlin Stewart, Truby High, Reece Eury, Vernon Medlin, Buren Medlin, Kim Honeycutt, Howard Collins, Gene Herrin, Randy Williams, Reed Shue, Lane Vanhoy, Tommy Vanhoy, Leroy Plowman, Clayton Griffin, Jimmy Helms, R. W. Knight, Carl Haigler, Barry Helms, W. A. Williams, John Dillon, Jay Young, Paul Lemons, Raymond Bibey, Cranford Priddy, Eugene Vanhoy, Richard Weavil, Ashburn Williams, Wayne Weavil and Ken Austin.

6. Called for visitors from corresponding associations to seats with us and welcomed the following:

ORIGINAL LITTLE RIVER OF NORTH CAROLINA: Elder Worth Stephenson, Elder Fred Williams, Brother & Sister Kenneth Stephenson, Brother Dwight Roberts, Brother Herbert Williams, Brother & Sister Coleman Strickland.

ORIGINAL TOWALIGA: Minutes.

LITTLE RIVER OF GEORGIA: Minutes.

FRIENDSHIP OF GEORGIA: Minutes.

TENNESSEE-NOLACHUCKY: Minutes.

ORIGINAL POWELL'S VALLEY: Elder & Sister Kenneth Robbins, Brother & Sister Ray Wells, Brother Lawrence Ritter, Brother Zirkle Johnston.

MT. ZION OF ALABAMA: Elder & Sister I.G. Heaven, Brother & Sister Earl Jordan, Brother & Sister Jack Jordan, Brother & Sister Johnnie Bowlin, Brother Randy Bowlin.

SOUTH ARKANSAS: Minutes.

7. Invited visitors from associations and churches with whom we do not carry formal correspondence and gladly received the following:

OCHLOCKNEE ASSOCIATION (FL): Elder C. A. Blanton, Elder Emery Carlton, Elder Joseph Hayes, Brother & Sister Floyd Parter, Brother & Sister Dock O'Hearn, Brother Phillip Howell.

AMITE ASSOCIATION (MS): Elder John Conley.

KETOCTON ASSOCIATION (VA): Elder J. R. Kosch.

MARIETTA ASSOCIATION (GA): Elder Clyde Meek, Brother Darrell Meek.

MT. ZION ASSOCIATION (WV): Elder & Sister Franklin Oresta, Sister Lucille Foster.

SILVER CREEK ASSOCIATION: Elder G. F. Watson.

ANTIOCH ASSOCIATION: (FL): Brother & Sister Bill Allmon.

SMOKEY MOUNTAIN CHURCH (TN): Elder Harold Hunt.

FOUR OAKS CHURCH: Elder Tony Parker.

FLAT CREEK CHURCH: Elder H. L. Poplin.

PINE CHURCH: Elder Kemp Walker, Brother & Sister Clarence Brown.

ABBOTTS CREEK CHURCH: Sister Marie Pickard.

ST. PAUL CHURCH (SC): Brother & Sister Newton Harvey, Sister Emily Brunson.

AUGUSTA OLD LINE CHURCH: (GA): Sister Dawn Vincent.

FELLOWSHIP CHURCH (GA): Brother & Sister Herman Wilkinson.

JULIAN HILL CHURCH: Brother & Sister Daren Massey.

WALNUT COVE CHURCH: Brother Raymond Bibey, Brother Paul Lemons, Brother Jimmy Haynes.

COLUMBIA CHURCH (MD): Sister Treva Mattia.

AFTON ROAD CHURCH (VA): Brother & Sister Woody Inge, Sister Linda Adkins, Sister Etta Jenkins, Brother Charlie Jenkins, Brother & Sister Curtis Richmond.

BEAR CREEK CHURCH: Brother David Anderson, Brother & Sister Leonard Furr, Brother & Sister Walter Almond, Sister Jennie Helms, Brother & Sister Ray Almond,

8. Appointed messengers to visit corresponding associations as follows: (It is understood that any member of our association may represent us at any association):

LITTLE RIVER OF NORTH CAROLINA, (4th week-end), Sept.): Elder W. M. Benton, Elder Roy Speir, Elder Rom Kerley, Elder Larry Austin, Brother Truby High.

ORIGINAL TOWALIGA, (1st week-end, Sept.): Minutes.

FRIENDSHIP OF GEORGIA, (2nd week-end, Sept.): Elder Paul Stroupe.

TENNESSEE-NOLACHUCKY, (2nd week-end, Sept.): Elder Larry Austin, Elder Rom Kerley.

ORIGINAL POWELL'S VALLEY, (3rd week-end, Aug.): Brother Lane Vanhoy, Brother Truby High, Brother Ed Pressley, Brother Ken Austin.

MT. ZION OF ALABAMA, (2nd week-end, Sept.): Elder Roy Speir, Brother Lane Vanhoy, Brother Ed Pressley, Brother Truby High, Brother Leroy Plowman.

SOUTH ARKANSAS, (3rd week-end, Sept.): Minutes.

9. Unanimously agreed to continue correspondence with all associations with whom we now correspond.

10. Elder Newell Helms was appointed to write the corresponding letter to be approved at our Saturday meeting.

11. Unanimously agreed to adjourn until Saturday morning at 9:30 with the meeting to continue at the Agri-Civic Center.

Prayer by Elder W. M. Benton.

Saturday, September 17, 1994

The association met according to adjournment at 9:30 a.m. at the Agri-Civic Center. After prayer by Brother Steve Nichols the business continued as follows:

12. After roll call of the messengers we acknowledged visitors who had arrived since the Friday session and listed their names under items 6 & 7.

13. Called for the report from the finance committee:

Received from the churches	$4,791.00
Received from friends	$ 494.00
Total receipts	$ 5,285.00

14. Unanimously agreed to distribute minutes from other associations as usual.

15. Called for the corresponding letter which was read and approved and ordered embodied in the minutes.

16. Extended invitation for the churches of the association to request 5th. Sunday meetings and granted the following:

October, 1994	Mountain Creek
January, 1995	Lawyer's Spring
April 1995	Bethel
July, 1995	Meadow Creek

17. Unanimously agreed by move, second and vote to hold the next session of the association with Pleasant Grove Church beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in September 1995 and that the pastor of that church should deliver the introductory sermon.

18. Unanimously agreed to have 1500 copies of the minutes printed and that the clerk superintend the same.

19. Unanimously agreed to distribute all funds above that required in item 18 to the ministers present and any other expenses the finance committee may deem expedient.

20. Unanimously agreed to give thanks to our Heavenly Father for His grace and mercy and to the members and friends of Liberty Hill Church for their kind labors during this meeting. We, also, express our thanks to Mr. Leon Warren, Civic Center Manager, for his tireless assistance.

Prayer by Brother Lane Vanhoy

Elder Rom Kerley, moderator

Reece Eury, clerk

Ken Austin, assistant clerk

FINANCIAL REPORT

RECEIPTS:

Received from the churches	$4,791.00
Received from friends	$ 494.00
Total receipts	$5,285.00

DISBURSEMENTS:

Printing minutes and other clerk's expenses	$ 650.00
Ministers and miscellaneous expenses	$4,635.00
Total disbursements	$5,285.00

CORRESPONDING LETTER

To our corresponding associations, churches and friends: We send greetings to you of like precious faith.

The God of all grace who is worthy of all our adoration, praise and honor, has blessed us to meet again with the presence of His Spirit in good fellowship and preaching.

How sweet and dear to us is the fellowship of His saints! We treasure that above all this world has to afford! Our only hope as poor and needy sinners is the unsearchable riches of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. We are satisfied with His finished work.

Let us "walk worthy of the vocation wherewith we are called, with all lowliness of mind, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love. Endeavouring to keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace". May God help us to do that.

We desire a continued walk with those who are willing to take the scriptures as their only rule of faith and practice.

With brotherly love,

Elder Newell Helms

ORDER OF SERVICES

Friday morning
Prayer: Elder E. W. Hooven, Jr.
Elder Rom Kerley - Deut. 32:1-4
Elder Larry Austin - II Tim. 4:2
Prayer: Elder Paul Stroupe

Friday afternoon
Prayer: Elder Richard Cox
Elder G. F. Watson - Rom. 8:34
Elder John Conley - John 1:1
Prayer: Elder Rommie Williams

Friday night
Prayer: Elder Richard Kirby
Elder Tony Parker - Rev. 12:10
Elder Fred Williams
Prayer: Elder Roy Speir

Saturday morning
Prayer: Elder H. L. Poplin
Elder J. R. Kosch - Duet. 4:1-2
Elder Clyde Meek - Eph. 1:15-19
Elder Kenneth Robbins -Heb. 1:1
Prayer: Elder Dwayne Hooven

Saturday afternoon
Prayer: Elder Rommie Williams
Elder Kemp Walker - Heb. 6:1-6
Elder Emery Carlton - John 12:24
Lic. Steve Nichols - Rev. 2:1
Prayer: Brother Jimmy Haynes

Saturday night (High Hill Church)
Prayer: Elder F. W. Stack
Elder Joe Hayes - Prov. 15:3
Elder Franklin Oresta - II Pet. 1:1

Saturday night (Civic Center)
Prayer: Elder Tony Parker
Elder I. G. Heaven
Elder Harold Hunt

Sunday morning
Prayer: Elder Franklin Oresta
Elder I. G. Heaven - John 15:1-2
Elder C. A. Blanton - Rom. 8:1
Elder Worth Stepheson - Isa. 40:1
Prayer: Elder Larry Austin

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CHURCHES	PASTORS
Pleasant Grove	Elder Joe C. Helms
Union Grove	Elder Newell Helms
Mountain Creek	Elder Joe C. Helms
Lawyer's Spring	Elder Joe C. Helms
Crooked Creek	Elder Larry Austin
High Point	Elder Roy Speir
Meadow Creek	Elder Paul Stroupe
Pleasant Hill	Elder Roy Speir
High Hill	Elder Newell Helms
Park View	Elder E. W. Hooven, Jr.
Liberty Hill	Elder Rom Kerley
Bethel	Elder W. C. Mintz
Corinth	Elder Richard Kirby
Mills Chapel	Elder Rom Kerley
New Hope	Elder Rommie Williams
	TOTALS

TABLE

Communion Sundays	Rec'd. by baptism	Rec'd. by relation	Rec'd. by letter	Restored	Dismissed by letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total membership	Contributions
2nd July			2			1	1	47	$ 361.
2nd Aug	5					1	4	157	550.
3rd July	2							63	500.
1st Aug						1	1	55	300.
4th July							2	28	150.
4th May	3					2	2	72	300.
1st June							2	42	320.
3rd June					1		1	41	400.
1st Sept	1					1	3	73	350.
3rd May	7		2			1	3	83	350.
1st July	4					1	2	87	400.
4th June							1	89	275.
2nd Sept	1		1	1		4	1	20	100.
2nd June	2					1	3	57	335.
4th Aug							1	14	100.
	25		5	1	1	13	27	928	$4791.

IN MEMORIAM

"And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God." Job 19:26

BETHEL: Sister Ramona McLamb Blair

CORINTH: Brother Floyd Robinson

CROOKED CREEK: Sister Bronnie Braswell
Sister Nannie Connell

HIGH HILL: Deacon W. Earl Pressley
Brother Haskel Wooten
Sister Daisy Crook

HIGH POINT: Brother William D. Haithcock
Brother Percy Hedgecock

LAWYER'S SPRING: Sister Bertha P. Stewart

LIBERTY HILL: Sister Elsie Swafford
Elder Brice C. Haigler

MEADOW CREEK: Sister Julie Furr
Brother Roy Eudy

MILLS CHAPEL: Brother William Sapp - 1993
Sister Stella Almond - 1993
Sister Arie Caudle
Deacon Howard Little
Brother Paul Horne

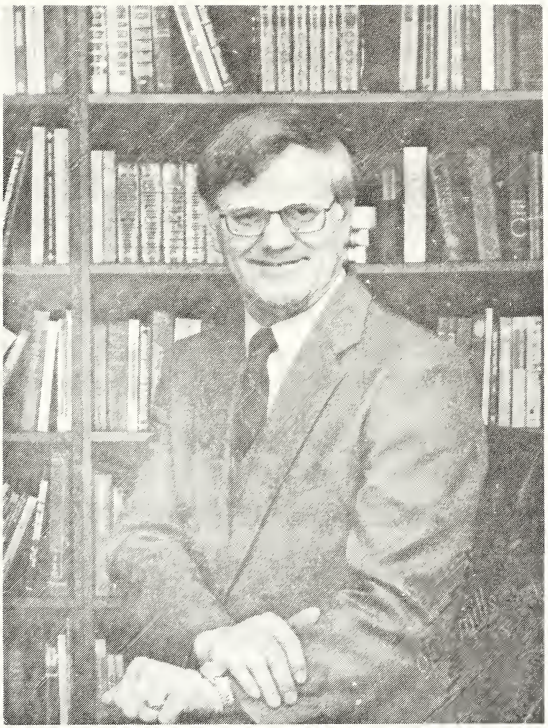
NEW HOPE: Sister Virginia P. Gettings

PARK VIEW: Brother Fair Willard
Brother Roy Craven
Brother John Clark

PLEASANT GROVE: Sister Addie Polk

PLEASANT HILL: Sister Cloie Peal

UNION GROVE: Brother Ralph Clontz
Sister Nina H. Pressley
Brother Robert "Bob" James



ELDER BRICE C. HAIGLER
1935 - 1994

Elder Haigler was ordained to the full work of the gospel ministry at Union Grove Primitive Baptist Church in February 1958 and served among the churches of this area for some time. He later moved to the Atlanta, Georgia area where he served various churches. His gift proved beneficial across a wide region of the Southeastern United States. We will surely miss him.

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CHURCHES MEETING TIMES

BETHEL: Every Sunday except 5th, Pastor.

CORINTH: 1st Sunday morning. Elder Williams; 2nd Sunday morning, Pastor.

CROOKED CREEK: 2nd Sunday night, Elder Rom Kerley; 4th Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor.

HIGH HILL: 1st Sunday morning, Saturday night before, Pastor; 3rd Sunday morning, Elder Austin.

HIGH POINT: 2nd Sunday morning, 4th Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor.

LAWYER'S SPRING: lst Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor; 3rd Sunday morning, Elder Williams.

LIBERTY HILL: 1st Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor; 2nd Sunday morning, Elder Austin.

MEADOW CREEK: lst Sunday morning and Saturday afternoon before, Pastor; 3rd Sunday morning, Elder Newell Helms, 4th Sunday morning, Pastor.

MILLS CHAPEL: 2nd Sunday morning and Saturday night before; 4th Sunday morning, Pastor.

MOUNTAIN CREEK: 3rd Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor; 4th Sunday morning. Elder Williams

NEW HOPE: 2nd Sunday morning, Pastor; 4th Sunday morning, Elder Joe Helms.

PARK VIEW: lst Sunday morning, 2nd Sunday morning, 3rd Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor.

PLEASANT GROVE: 2nd Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor; 3rd Sunday morning, Elder Kerley.

PLEASANT HILL: 1st Sunday morning, 3rd Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor.

UNION GROVE: 2nd Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor; 4th Sunday morning, Elder E. W. Hooven.

CHURCH CLERKS AND ADDRESSES

BETHEL: Mason H. Anderson, P.O. Box 345, Shallotte, NC 28495

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CROOKED CREEK: W. T. Broadway, 309 Rocky River Rd., Indian Trail, NC 28079

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HIGH POINT: Lindsey Allen, Rt. 12, Box 227, Winston-Salem NC 27107

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MEADOW CREEK: Marshall Gaskey, 174 Arlington Ave., SE, Concord, NC 28025

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NEW HOPE: Eugenia Campbell, 100 Sam's Rd., Hopkins, SC 29061

PARK VIEW: Elder Elwood Ashby, 4175 Grubbs Road, Walkertown, NC 27051

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PLEASANT HILL: Allen Copple, Route 4, Asheboro, NC 27203

UNION GROVE: Ken Austin, 3930 Old Camden Rd., Monroe, NC 28110

LOCATION OF CHURCHES

BETHEL: Four miles northwest of Calabash, NC, 1/4 mile north of Hickman's Crossroads.

CORINTH: South Sims Street, King's Mountain, NC, 3 blocks off Highway 74.

CROOKED CREEK: Just off Highway 218, 4 miles east of Highway 601, approximately 10 miles north of Monroe, NC.

HIGH HILL: Just off Highway 601 North in the suburbs of Monroe, NC, 1/2 mile north of Highway 74.

HIGH POINT: 209 Rock Springs Road, 1 block off the 1500 block of North Main Street, High Point, NC.

LAWYER'S SPRING: Just south of Highway 74 at the underpass in Peachland, NC.

LIBERTY HILL: Ten miles west of Albemarle, NC on Highway 27 near Red Cross.

MEADOW CREEK: On Meadow Creek Road between Highway 27 West and Highway 200 North near Locust, NC.

MILLS CHAPEL: On China Grove Road just off Lane Street between I-85 and Highway 601-29 in Kannapolis, NC.

MOUNTAIN CREEK: Five miles north of Albermarle, NC on Mountain Creek Church Road.

NEW HOPE: Nine miles east of Columbia, SC just off Highway 262 on Leesburg Rd.

PARK VIEW: Just off Sprague Street near Highway 311 in Winston-Salem, NC.

PLEASANT GROVE: 3 1/2 miles north of Marshville, NC, approximately 1 mile west of Highway 205 on Lawyers Road.

PLEASANT HILL: Approximately 4 miles northwest of Seagrove, NC, south of Asheboro, NC.

UNION GROVE: On Highway 200 North (Morgan Mill Rd.) approximately 4 miles north of Highway 74, Monroe. NC.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

Article 1. We believe in one living and true God, the Father, the Word and the Holy Ghost.

Article 2. We believe in the man Jesus being the first of all God's creation and the pattern of all God's perfection in nature, grace and glory, and in relative union with the Divine Word, and thus united with the whole Trinity.

Article 3. We believe that the scripture of the King James Version of the Old and New Testaments contain the only written, revealed word of God and the perfect rule of faith and practice for God's Church in her militant state while here on earth.

Article 4. We believe in the doctrine of election: that God chose His Church in Christ Jesus before the world began.

Article 5. We believe in all mankind's apostacy by transgression in Adam, the federal head.

Article 6. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.

Article 7. We believe in the impotency of man to recover himself from his fallen state by his own free will and ability.

Article 8. We believe that sinners are justified freely by grace and before God by faith in Christ and His righteousness only.

Article 9. We believe that God's elect or Church shall be called, converted, regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Spirit in due time.

Article 10. We believe that the saints shall persevere in grace and never really fall away.

Article 11. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Christ's appointment, and that believers alone are the subject of baptism and the only proper communicants of the Supper; that the mode of baptism is immersion, and that neither of the ordinances is to be altered or changed by the inventions or opinions of men. We believe in feet washing as taught by our Savior in St. John 13:4-17.

Article 12. We believe that no man, as a minister, has any right to the administration of any of the ordinances of the gospel except such as are sound in the faith of the gospel, regularly baptized, called of God and have come under the imposition of hands by a regular presbytery.

Article 13. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both the just and the unjust, and a general judgment.

Article 14. We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of the righteous eternal.

RULES GOVERNING THE ORIGINAL BEAR CREEK

PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1. We understand that at whatever church this association is being held, it is under the authority of the hostess church, as any other regular or monthly conference meeting, in which the church invites the ministers and messengers of the sister churches to seats, and take part with them.

2. The officers of that church shall be the officers of the association, provided the pastor is a member of the association, and if not, the church shall elect any member of the association to preside as moderator. The church may request the help of any member of another sister church to assist in the business transactions of the association.

3. This association shall have no authority to pass upon any question of a disciplinary nature except it has been passed upon by the local churches composing this association: then the work of the churches shall be recognized by the association.

4. Any member who endeavors to bring in or inject a disciplinary question that involves fellowship, before it has been passed upon by the local churches, shall be considered out of order by the church with which the association is being held, and by the messengers present from the sister churches.

5. The association shall be conducted for the purpose of associating together in song, prayer, and preaching service. The finance committee shall disburse the funds on hand, as the association shall so direct. The body may receive corresponding messengers and visitors from sister associations, and may appoint messengers and visitors to keep up a correspondence with sister associations. No other business shall be transacted by the association, except that which is necessary to set forth the status of each church composing this association in the form of a minute.

Notes